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No. 271.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1882.

FIVE DOLLARS
PER QUARTER.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

ARE now showing a Large and Varied Assortment of TOYS.

Comprising:
ENGLISH AND FRENCH DOLLS.
NOVELTIES IN MECHANICAL TOYS.
NEW BRICKS AND PUZZLES.
AUTOMATIC CHARIOTS AND WAGONS.
ROCKING AND SPRING HORSES.
CUBES AND MOSAIC BUILDING-SETS.
DRUMS, CYMBALS, AND OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.
CHILDREN'S TEA AND TETE A TETE SETS.
PERCUSSION GUNS AND RIFLES.
SWORDS AND HAPPY FAMILIES.
CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS IN VARIETY.

&c., &c., &c.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 10th November, 1882. [296]

Insurances.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.)

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [81]

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....\$1,420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....\$1,230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....\$1,290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and
Accumulations, 31st
May, 1882.....\$4,940,553.95

DIRECTORS.
H. DE C. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
J. H. PINCKVOSSE, Esq., Wm. MEYERINK, Esq.,
A. J. M. INVERARITY, Esq., G. H. WIELEKER, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.
Messrs. BARKING BROTHERS & Co.,
Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the world.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent for interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the premia paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents. [53]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LEE YAT LAU, Esq.,
LO YEOK MOON, Esq., CHU CHIK NUNG, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [601]

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD of UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD of AMERICAN and FOREIGN SHIPPING.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [457]

Intimations.

WANTED.

AN ENGAGEMENT, either as BOOKKEEPER or GENERAL ASSISTANT, by a Gentleman who has a few hours during the day, disengaged. In case full office hours are required, arrangements might be made with a few days notice. Good references. Salary no object.

Apply to
F. Care of this Office.
Hongkong, 10th November, 1882. [743]

MR. A. HAHN'S

DANCING CLASSES.

HAVE BEEN OPENED
T. H. S. D. A. Y.

For Terms, &c., apply to
A. HAHN,
No. 6, Beaconsfield Arcade,
Hongkong, 1st November, 1882. [723]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

A VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
lying between Bonham Strand and Wing Lok Street, will be offered for Sale by Public Auction, under instructions from the MORTGAGEE, by Mr. J. M. GUEDES, Auctioneer,

TO-MORROW,
the 7th day of December, 1882, at THREE P.M., at the Premises, comprising—

THOSE SEVERAL PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND situate at Victoria, Hongkong, known and Registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Section A of MARINE LOT No. 1, Section E of Marine Lot No. 4, Section F of Marine Lot No. 4, and Subsection One of Section A of Marine Lot No. 4A. Together with the 11 HOUSES, Nos. 3 to 13, Kwong Yune, West Street, inclusive thereon.

The aggregate Yearly Crown Rent of the Premises is \$98.80.

The Premises will be sold subject to the existing tenancies thereof.

To view a plan of the Premises, and for Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

BRERETON, WOTTON, & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,
or to

THE AUCTIONEER.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1882. [768]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY,

the 8th day of December, 1882, at 3 P.M., at East Point (next to the Sugar Refinery),

THE HULL and MACHINERY of the exploded Steam Launch "FEI LOONG," including the BOILER, &c., at the Harbour Master's Wharf, Praya West.

The Launch to be at Purchaser's risk after the fall of the hammer.

J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1882. [792]

For Sale.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

A FIRST CLASS SADDLE by DAVIS & Co. London, the property of a Gentleman leaving the Colony. Almost New, and will be sold Cheap. Can be seen at the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1882. [788]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, STORE-KEEPERS
AND
GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS,
PRAYA CENTRAL.

HAVE RECEIVED EX LATEST ARRIVALS.

AMERICAN CAST STEEL SHOVELS.
PICKS.

AXES.

HATCHETS.

ENGINEERS' & HOUSEHOLD HAMMERS.

PATENT BIT-BRACES.

AUGER-BITS.

DRILLS.

PATENT BRASS PADLOCKS & CHEST LOCKS.

Mrs. PORT'S PATENT SADIRONS.

COOKING STOVES.

FAIRBANK'S SCALE.

FORCE PUMPS FOR SHIPS' USE.

DRILLING MACHINES.

BREAST DRILLS, AUTOM. BORING TOOLS.

ANVILS, VICES, AND DRILLS COMBINED.

ANVILS.

VICES.

HITCHCOCK'S PATENT LAMPS.

GLASSCUTTERS.

SCROLL SAWS.

FAMILY GRINDSTONES.

BLACKSMITHS' BELLOWES.

&c., &c., &c.

BEST WHITWORTH'S STOCK AND DIES.

SCREW WRENCHES.

PLANE IRONS.

CHISELS.

HAMMERS.

PINCERS.

NIPPERS.

DIVIDERS.

RULES.

METAL SCISSORS.

METAL SAWS.

TUBE EXPANDERS.

OIL-FEEDERS.

OIL-CANS.

SALTER'S SPRING BALANCE SCALES.

WESTON'S PATENT TACKLES.

PATENT SOCKETS.

DISTRESS SIGNALS.

KOLMES' PATENT SIGNAL LIGHTS.

FOGHORNS.

SIGNAL LAMPS.

LIFE BUOYS.

LIFE BELTS.

BOTTLE WASHING AND CORKING MACHINES.

&c., &c., &c.

SPARKLING SCHARZHOFFBERGER.

FLENSBURG STOCKBEER.

MARIENTHALER BEER.

VEUVE CLICQUOT PONSARDIN CHAMPAGNE.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1882. [660]

Intimations.

"NOVELTY STORE."

MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

NOW SHOWING A LARGE AND SELECT ASSORTMENT OF TOYS AND NOVELTIES

IN
ENGLISH, FRENCH, AND AMERICAN GOODS,
VERY SUITABLE FOR
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

Also
Just Opened
NEW NOVELS IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH,
BOOKS OF REFERENCE IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH,
RELIGIOUS WORKS IN ELEGANTLY BOUND COVERS,
PICKWICK PAPERS,
AND
A VARIETY OF CHEAP NOVELS.

ALL QUITE NEW AND OFFERED AT MODERATE PRICES.

S. MEYERS,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1882. [661]

SAYLE & CO.'S SHOWROOMS.

SAYLE & CO.

WE ARE NOW SHEWING EX "RECENT ARRIVALS."

ALL WOOL SCOTCH PLAIDS, AT 45 CENTS PER YARD.

LADIES FUR-LINED CLOAKS FROM \$12 to \$80 EACH.

CLOTH and MATALESE DOLMANS, MANTLES, AND JACKETS, IN NEWEST SHAPES.

NOVELTIES DIRECT FROM PARIS IN
MOIRE, BROCHE, OTTOMAN, AND SURAT DRESS SILKS.

LADIES SILK AND SPUN SILK HOSE IN EVERY COLOUR.

KID GLOVES - 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 BUTTONS.

NOVELTIES IN CORSET LACE, AND CLASP KID GLOVES.

INFANTS', CHILDREN'S, AND LADIES' HOOITS AND SHOES IN EVERY SIZE.

&c., &c., &c., &c., &c.

A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG. [659]

THE CHEAPEST HOUSE IN THE EAST.

FOR BOOKS, STATIONERY, MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, FANCY GOODS,

ARTISTS MATERIALS, &c., &c., &c.

W. BREWER.

No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

HAS JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING NEW AND IMPORTANT BOOKS.

Brookley's Tunis Past and Present.
Episodes in the Life of an Indian Chaplain.
The Burman by Shway Yee.
Muckley's 12 Book for Painters & Art Students.
Fawcett's Free Trade and Protection.
Proctor's Astronomical Books and Atlases.
Macdonald's Lectures on Credit and Banking.
Bonamy Price's Practical Political Economy.
Cool Orchids and How to Grow them.
Plays and Poems of Charles Dickens.
Meyer's Complete Guide to Chess.
NEW MUSIC!
CHRISTMAS CARDS!
NEW PHOTOGRAPHS

Hongkong, 10th November, 1882. [703]

J. ULLMANN & CO.

42, QUEEN'S ROAD.

HAVE ALWAYS ON HAND A LARGE ASSORTMENT

OF
GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES and CHRONOMETERS, CLOCKS OF ALL KINDS,
BAROMETERS, THERMOMETERS, ANEROIDS, SPECTACLES, EYE-GLASSES, &c.

BY THE BEST MAKERS, AND AT LOW PRICES.

GENTLEMEN'S PARISIAN MADE SHIRTS, SCARVES, AND COLLARS

IN THE NEWEST STYLES.

FRENCH BOOTS AND SHOES

OF BEST QUALITY.

MEERSCHAUM PIPES, CIGAR CASES AND HOLDERS,
ALBUMS, INKSTANDS, POCKET-BOOKS.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STATIONERY.

CROCKERY WARE, TEA AND COFFEE SETS,
RIFLES, FOWLING PIECES, AND REVOLVERS.

A CHOICE SELECTION OF PINAUD'S BEST PERFUMERY.

&c., &c., &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [660]

To be Let.

TO LET.

PARSEE VILLA (5 ROOMS), Robinson Road, also TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 ROOMS) in Mosque Junction. Both the above HOUSES have Gas and Water laid on; and immediate possession can be had.

For Particulars apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1882. [782]

TO LET.

NO. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET,
NO. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
are occupied by PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NO. 8, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
NO. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1882. [74]

STORAGE.

THE Undersigned are prepared to take Goods on STORAGE at their GODOWNS. Entrance from Praya and Queen's Road Central. TERMS MODERATE.

Apply to
ROSE & Co.,
31 and 33, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1882. [666]

M. G. U. E. D. E. S.

HOUSE AND LAND BROKER,

AUCTIONEER and COMMISSION AGENT.

No. 33, WELLINGTON STREET,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1882. [62]

Intimations.

LOST.

A TRANSFER DEED with SCRIP attached for 20 LUZON SHARES, being one of two Transfers of the same number of Shares signed by the Hon. F. B. JOHNSON. The said deed is being returned to the Undersigned and the holder of the other 20 Shares by sending them to the Company's Office for Transfer to enable the numbers of the missing Shares to be traced.

Also
TRANSFER DEED for 5 LUZON SUGAR SHARES in the name of Mr. C. P. CHATER.

D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, 7th November, 1882. [737]

TO SPORTSMEN.

FOR SALE AT LESS THAN COST.

OWING TO OWNER LEAVING THE COLONY.

1 Set of CAPE HARNESS (Brass Mounts) with Pole (Brest Plates).

1 Silk-lined RACING SADDLE.

RACING WHIPS with Silver Mounts.

The above, which are ALL NEW, may be seen at the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE and will be sold a BARGAIN.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1882. [726]

HONGKONG TIMBER-YARD.

WANCHAI.

OREGON FINE SPARS AND LUMBER

ALWAYS ON HAND.

L. MALLOY,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [495]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. MAX CARL JOHANN GROTE has been Authorized to Sign Our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.
MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1882. [772]

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY SOLD to Mr. F. D. GUEDES the GOODWILL, PLANT MACHINERY, &c., of the BUSINESS of GENERAL PRINTERS and BOOKBINDERS hitherto carried on by me under the style of DE SOUZA & Co., and my Interest and Responsibility in the said Firm ceases from this date.

J. J. DE SOUZA.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1882.

WITH reference to the above, I have THIS DAY taken over the Business of Messrs. DE SOUZA & Co., which will be carried on under the same name, and respectfully solicit a continuation of the patronage and support of the public.

F. D. GUEDES.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1882. [785]

Intimations.

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED, will be held at the Society's Head Office, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 8th day of December, 1882, at THREE O'CLOCK, in the AFTERNOON, when the Subjunct Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society held on Wednesday, the 22nd day of November, 1882, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution.

RESOLUTION.
That the Capital of the Society be increased to Two Millions Five Hundred Thousand DOLLARS by increasing the value of the Existing Shares to \$5,000 per Share.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong,
Dated the 2nd day of November, 1882. [775]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

J. DA ROZA'S HAIR CUTTING SALOON

HAS BEEN REMOVED TO
No. 27, POTTINGER STREET.

HAIR-CUTTING in the latest Fashion,
Shaving, Shampooing, &c., by experienced artists, and at LOW RATES.

RAZORS CAREFULLY RE-SET.

Note the address:—No. 27, Pottinger Street.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1882. [774]

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE JUST RECEIVED A SELECTION OF THE BEST GERMAN NOVELS, &c., IN GERMAN TEXT.

Versunkene Welten Jensen.
Die Sommers Waldmüller.
Um ein Herz Wagners.
Quisquana Spielhagen.
Gespränge Wemer.
Die Welke Frau von Greifenstein Tels.
Goldse Maritt.
Die Hand der Nemesis König.
Belle No. 7 Bacone.
Die Sturmhexe Keyserling.
Das Kind Bagazzo's König.
Die Junge Frau Wauchenhusen.
Das Hans Hillel Max Ring.
Der Wildieb Gerstacker.
Die Geschmister Maritt.
Reichsgräfin Gisela Freytag.
Aus einer kleinen Stadt Wemer.
Im Ehrs und Lob Maritt.
Im Schillinghof Freytag.
Marcus König König.
Das Grosse Loos Schucking.
Der Doppelgänger Spillhagen.
Hans und Grete Spielhagen.
Die Schönen Amerikanerinnen Spielhagen.
Bewegte Beiten Alexandrowitch.
Der Kaiser Eberg.
Gartenlaubenbluten Tacano.
Die Wurgen von Paris Heyse.
Im Paradies König.
Auf der Bahn des Verbrechens König.
In beiden Hemisphären Wemer.
Vinea Maritt.
Ammann's Magd Maritt.

Das Hans Hillel Waldmüller.
Die Verlobte Wauchenhusen.
Der Heideuck Wagners.
Auf der Rummingsburg Wagners.
Vater und Sohn Wagners.
Glück Auf Rosenthal-Bonin.
Der Diamantstiefler Eberg.
Eine Frage Masoch.
Aus Ehrs Götter Wagners.
Mein Onkel Don Juan Hopfen.
Gelebt und Gelitten Wauchenhusen.
Kinder der Welt Heyse.
Brigitte Huerbach.
Das Geheimnis der alten Mamsell Maritt.
Bischof und König Tenger.
Die Elche Reichenbach.
Barfussle Huerbach.
Frühlingboten Wemer.
Buchheim Tarnbuler.

Das Hans Hillel Waldmüller.
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me during the last ten years may be laid on the table, and I would also ask one of my two hon. friends opposite to give us some information on the subject.

Mr. Jas. Russell—I am pleased to second the motion of my hon. friend, and should like also to ask that there be attached to the table the papers for a return showing the number of magistrates before the magistrates, and the manner in which they have been dealt with—whether they have been fined, or reported, or flogged, or deported. I will recollect the statement made last year in the Council Chamber, and I thought it would have received contradiction or explanation from some member. The statement was that the magistrates had been in the habit of flogging magistrates. There was some explanation given afterwards by a member of the Council in a letter to the papers, but the fact ought to have been known that a Police Commission sat in 1876, and that a return made by Mr. Creagh and Mr. May to that Commission showing that no magistrate had been flogged since the beginning of 1872, was submitted by the Government. A paper was also laid before the same Commission drawn up by Mr. Deane showing that magistrates had not been dealt with by the magistrates at all up to 1871. Mr. Deane, in a paper he addressed to the Under Secretary of State, which is published in the report of that Police Commission, said that one cause of the increase in the number of minor offences was that magistrates and other offenders of the class had been brought before the magistrates at a return made in 1871. If you look back at the Ordinances, you will see that that was owing to the Registrar General being the person who had to deal with magistrates up to that date. The power did not actually exist with the magistrates to deal with magistrates, unless the person charged wished it, until 1862, when the Magistrates Ordinance was passed. That Ordinance, No. 6 of 1862, abolished the Petty Sessions Court and made provision for the appointment of two Police Magistrates, each of whom had power to deal with magistrates, which was a misnomer, because by the Ordinance for the Regulation of the Chinese People, section 23, magistry is forbidden. Consequently the magistrates under Ordinance 6 of 1862 would have been enabled to deal with it, but as the Ordinances stood, No. 8 of 1863, section 28, states that magistrates shall be brought before the Registrar-General, if a Justice of the Peace, &c., so that as a matter of fact magistrates were taken before the Registrar-General, and as the law stood then, the Registrar-General had to report the cases to the Governor, who dealt with them by ordering the magistrates out of the colony. It therefore appears on the authority of Mr. Deane that up to 1871 the magistrates did not deal with magistrates by flogging, or otherwise. As a matter of fact, the returns published by the Police Commission distinctly state that no flogging had been inflicted for magistry, and therefore no one could have put a stop to "the flogging system."

Mr. P. Ryrie—I hope my hon. friend (Mr. F. B. Johnson) will excuse the remark I am about to make. He attributed a portion of the decrease in crime to the action of the magistrates, and the Chinese Government have studied the question of these cruelties for many years and have heard a great deal about them, and a good many reports have been made about them. My firm impression is that if piracy has decreased it is in no way owing to the action of these cruelties. If it has decreased it is in the natural order of things, and owing to the fact that not many steamers are plying also the trade is so worth pursuing. It was reported to me that a case of piracy took place recently near this Colony and quite close to one of these revenue cruisers, and that the cruiser never even attempted to assist the junk attacked, although a police boat from Shaikwan pursued the pirates.

The Administrator—The cruelties have to deal with smugglers rather than with pirates, I think. The return which my hon. friend has asked for has already been prepared from the annual statements furnished by the Captain Superintendent of Police, and published in the *Government Gazette*. Perhaps (Mr. Johnson) the hon. member has not noticed it. I have not the slightest objection to lay it on the table if you wish it; but perhaps the best way would be to do what is done in all colonies, lay the Blue Book on the table. That I do now. The figures will be found there. As to the other return asked for, I think that has already been laid on the table. I have certainly seen it in print.

Mr. Russell—It has never been laid on the table. I believe it is in the library, and has been since 1878.

Mr. Price—It is an appendix to the report of the Police Commission.

The Administrator—I have no objection to lay it on the table. I thought it had been done already.

THE SMOUGLING QUESTION.

Mr. Johnson—The next resolution I have to move will occupy very few moments. The Colonial Secretary has forwarded to the Chamber of Commerce certain papers connected with smuggling from this colony, and all I have now to ask is that they be formally laid on the table and published in the *Government Gazette*. We all know that there are negotiations going on at home with regard to opium, and no doubt the fiscal relations this colony may hold with the mainland will enter into the discussion. Since I sent in notice of my original motion my hon. friend opposite (the Colonial Treasurer) has directed me to lay it on the table. I have no objection to lay it on the table. I thought it had been done already.

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given notice of. The object of this resolution was to ask an explanation as to what appeared to me and others interested in the unnecessary delay in complying with a request made by the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co. in reference to the construction of a new dock under agreement with the naval authorities. Since I gave notice of that motion my hon. friend, the Surveyor-General, has very kindly forwarded to me an elaborate memorandum on the whole question, and I think I see from this that there has been some misunderstanding between the representative of the Dock Co. and the department which my hon. friend represents. Under these circumstances, I think it unnecessary to call for these papers. The other papers, as to telegraphs, I wished produced because it is certain many persons have applied for permission to place wires on the Government poles, and they have been refused. To many others permission has been granted. The administration appears in this respect to have been somewhat eccentric, and I desired to call attention to it, but my hon. friend the Surveyor-General assures me the notice of the department has been directed to the question, and I am quite satisfied with his assurance that public and private rights will be equally respected.

The Administrator—Attention was directed to the fact by the Finance Committee, and it is under consideration now.

Mr. F. B. Johnson—Yes, I had forgotten that when I placed my motion on the Order Book.

THE TRAMWAY BILL.

The Administrator—I would ask my hon. friend (Mr. Johnson) what he intends to do with regard to the Tramways Ordinance.

Mr. Johnson—I now ask the Council to suspend No. 32 of the Standing Orders, which provides that any Bill affecting vested rights and interests of property shall be published in the *Government Gazette* for not less than a month before the first reading. The Bill I propose to lay on the table is an amended Bill, but for convenience sake I propose to introduce it as a new Bill, and as the alterations are made on the suggestion of the public, and are restrictive of the rights of the promoters, I think the Council will have no difficulty in suspending the Standing Order to enable me to move the first reading of the Bill.

Mr. P. Ryrie seconded. The Administrator asked the Chief Justice if he saw any objection to the proposition.

The Chief Justice—I have not yet seen the Bill; but with the understanding that it does not interfere with vested rights and interests of property further than the old one, I see no objection. The Administrator remarked that the Bill did not interfere further than the old one with vested rights.

The motion was then put and carried.

Mr. Johnson—I now move the first reading of an Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice of the Legislative Council for authorising the construction of certain tramways within the colony of Hongkong. The Ordinance as it stands is in manuscript, as there has not been time to get it put in type for this meeting. I therefore, if it passes the first reading, propose to get it printed as soon as possible, to send copies of it in the hands of the Clerk of Council for circulation amongst members, and then, at as early a date as your Excellency will appoint, to move the second reading.

Mr. P. Ryrie seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

THE VOLUNTEERS ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer, on behalf of the Attorney General, in moving the first reading of a Bill to amend the Volunteers Ordinance No. 2 of 1862 said—One of the chief objects of this Bill is to prevent any questions being raised as to the powers granted under the old Ordinance. It might be said that the power given by that Ordinance having been used it could not be used again, and it was the purpose of this Bill to avoid that possibility. It also gave powers to the commanding officer to swear in the members of the corps, which was not contained in the old Ordinance. It was convenient sometimes that the commanding officer should have the power.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read for the first time.

BANKERS' BOOKS EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer proposed a Bill to amend the Bankers' Books Evidence Ordinance (No. 7 of 1882). This Bill is to enable copies of bankers' books to be produced in evidence in cases of justice. It was the same as the English Act, and had been brought forward on the recommendation of the Secretary of State, and the Bill was read a first time.

THE MAHOMEDAN CEMETERY ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer, in moving the first reading of a Bill to amend the Mahomedan Cemetery Ordinance (No. 8 of 1867), said that when the old Mahomedan Cemetery was made, the old burial ground was resumed by the Government, but there were certain powers reserved to the Mahomedan community. The purpose of this Bill was to extinguish any right or title to the ground and re-vest it in the Government absolutely.

The Administrator remarked that the ground was valuable for building sites, which were extremely rare, and the graves had all been removed excepting three. Those three had been there 30 years, and it was not known to whom they belonged.

The Chief Justice pointed out that there were certain legal difficulties in the way of vested rights, and the Bill was consequently allowed to stand over.

DISTRESSES FOR RENT.

The Colonial Treasurer moved the first reading of a Bill to consolidate and amend the law with regard to distresses for rent, placing in the Supreme Court the whole power of issuing distresses for rent.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer moved a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance (No. 18 of 1879). The object of this Bill was to remedy the wording of section 7 of the Ordinance, by which it appeared a master or engineer holding a home certificate of qualification could not take the position on board certain ships that a person holding a local certificate could do. The matter had been called attention to by the Board of Trade.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

THE SUPREME COURT ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer moved the first reading of a Bill to amend the "Supreme Court Ordinance" (No. 3 of 1865). Under this Bill there would be two deputy registrars instead of one, and two clerks of the court instead of one, and the Sheriff's Ordinance would be done away with.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer moved the first reading of a Bill amending the Criminal Procedure Ordinance (No. 2 of 1875); the Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read for the first time.

JURORS AND JURIES.

The Colonial Treasurer moved the first reading of a Bill to amend the law relating to jurors

and juries, which was seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary, and carried. The only change in this measure is the substitution of the Registrar for the Sheriff.

VACATION OF OFFICES AND PENSIONS OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF CRIME.

The Colonial Treasurer, in moving that a Bill be read a first time to provide for the vacation of offices and the determination of pensions and allowances held by persons convicted of crime, said that this measure, which strictly followed the Imperial act, was brought forward by direction of the Secretary of State.

The proposition was seconded by the Acting Colonial Secretary and carried.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer moved the second reading of the Bill to amend the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance (No. 6 of 1869).

Mr. F. B. Johnson seconded.

The consideration of this Bill was postponed until the next meeting of the Council.

THE VEHICLES ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Treasurer, in moving the first reading of the Chair and Vehicles Ordinance, stated that this Bill had been substituted for the Vehicles Ordinance which was read a first time at the last meeting of the Council. It vests the licensing power in the Superintendent of Police instead of the Registrar General, and gives the Governor in Council power to make rules and regulations on the subject.

The Acting Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

The Council adjourned *sine die*.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

CHARITY TO THE LIVING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—A deep sadness came over me when I had finished the perusal of your leading article of last night's issue, and feelings naturally warm were excited to indignation at the heartless manner in which a poor man was put away from the sight of his fellow mortals. Of the very few friends of poor Robert Kantwell (the spelled it so), not one was informed of his sickness and death, and he probably passed to that "unseen land" without having a word with any kind spiritual adviser.

In the last years of his melancholy and aimless career, he used to be very punctual in his attendance at religious gatherings, and gave evidence from his liking to be there that some good was in him—the desire to do right; but as has been said "he was his own worst enemy."

But complaints are of no avail; the community, and his own intimate friends in the Christian Association, would have seen that all was done that could be done to ease him in his illness and respect him in his burial. However, their attention is now called to the fact that the living are in need, and Kantwell's daughter of 14, and his son Laurence of 10 years of age, are left quite destitute, though in care of the old native woman who acted as his housekeeper. It was Kantwell's intention to get the girl into the Diocesan Home, and he was sending the boy, a bright little fellow, to the Central School.

Now here is a case of real necessity, for these children are thoroughly innocent and helpless, and if snatched up by the harpies of brothel-mongers who infest the place, will be sold as slaves, right under the eyes of the authorities, and additional cause for shame be cast upon all decent people. Can any body come forward in a quiet way and relieve their immediate wants, and help to arrange for their future? They are human souls, and must be saved if possible. Let us show charity to them while they live, that we may not have cause to upbraid ourselves for neglecting our conscientious duty after it is too late.

A subscription list is to be sent round among the people for the purpose of raising enough money to pay arrears of rent, and thus keep a roof over these unfortunate, as well as to provide them with food.

From his own words and actions, and from the desire he evinced to have his little ones educated in the protestant faith, I am convinced there was a big blunder committed in burying poor Kantwell in the Roman Catholic cemetery, especially if he had no absolution from a priest (and he would not have had if sensible in his mind), but I suppose it cannot be altered now.

May the information thus given in regard to the innocent and helpless be useful in procuring for them the necessities of existence, is the wish of one who writes this with

GOOD INTENT.

Hongkong, 6th December 1882.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

(From the "Money Market Review" of 21st October, 1882.)

An extraordinary general meeting of this company was held on Wednesday, at the Cannon-street Hotel, Mr. William Paterson in the chair, Mr. Wm. Chas. Mullins, the secretary, having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said: "You are aware that this meeting is called for the special purpose of declaring an *interim* dividend, and, in recommending the same, we have great pleasure in being able to say that our business shows satisfactory results. Although Indian commerce is far from being in the healthy condition it ought to be in, you will be pleased to hear that we have done better during the first part of the year than circumstances there are no accounts to be laid before you on this occasion, but we have gone through the books and returns from our different branches, and are perfectly satisfied with them as they stand. After making ample allowance for every known loss, we have no reason to doubt that the balance-sheet, when made up to the 31st Dec., will meet with your approval. Business has of late been very quiet, but we hear of improved harvests, and you all know that nothing will tend more to benefit business in this country, and in fact throughout a sphere of operations generally, than good crops. It seems needless for me to occupy more of your time, and I will proceed to move the resolution that an *interim* dividend for the half-year ended 30th June last, at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, free of income tax, be now declared, payable on and after the 25th inst."

Mr. John Jones, in seconding the motion, confirmed the chairman's remarks as to the favourable

working of the business during the past half-year, and said he hoped they would all have reason to be satisfied with the results when the annual accounts were presented.

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Mr. Alexander Morrison said he had much pleasure in proposing a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman and directors. He was sure they were all satisfied with the prospects of the bank.

Mr. W. B. Mann said he had much pleasure in seconding the proposition, and did not know whether he would be out of order in proposing to include their manager and staff, as they well deserved the thanks of the shareholders.

Mr. Morrison said that he was much obliged for the suggestion, and would include in his motion a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Gwyther and the staff. Mr. Gwyther had given great care and attention to the business, and had most ably seconded the efforts of the directors. (Cheers.)

The motion was then put, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman:—On behalf of my colleagues and myself I have to thank you for your kind reception of us to-day. I need scarcely say that we most cordially endorse what you have stated in reference to Mr. Gwyther, our manager in London, and, indeed, in reference to our staff generally, we feel at a loss to express how much we are indebted to them.

Mr. Gwyther: I beg to thank you on behalf of myself and the staff at home and abroad, and in doing so I would ask the shareholders to remember that they by their influence can help the bank materially in its business, both in England and in the East.

The proceedings then terminated.

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Hongkong, 4th December, 1882. [791]

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1882. [789]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Consignees are hereby informed, that any claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 10th instant.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1882. [795]

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